



FTS/AD CAREER PATH (AW)



Aviation Machinist's Mates are aircraft engine mechanics. They inspect, adjust, test, repair, and overhaul aircraft engines and propellers. ADs also perform routine maintenance, prepare aircraft for flight and assist in handling aircraft on the ground.

YEARS OF SERVICE	CAREER MILESTONES	AVERAGE TIME TO PROMOTE	COMMISSIONING OR OTHER SPECIAL PROGRAMS	SEA/SHORE ROTATION	TYPICAL CAREER PATH DEVELOPMENT
26-30	AFCM	22.3 Yrs	CMC	36	Follow-on Shore Tours
23-26	AFCM ADCS	22.3 Yrs 18.2	CMC, CMD SCPO, CWO	48	4 th Sea Tour Billet: Prod/Maint LCPO/CMC/ Dept LCPO. Duty: Squadron/AIMD/Staff. Qualification: SEA.
20-23	AFCM ADCS ADC	22.3 Yrs 18.2 15.2	CWO, CMC, CMD SCPO	36	3 rd Shore Tour Billet: Staff LCPO/Prod LCPO/SEA/CSC. Duty: TYCOM/AIMD/NAR. Qualification: SEA.
16-20	ADCS ADC AD1	18.2 Yrs 15.2 10.2	MECP, OCS, LDO, CWO, CMD SCPO, Equal Opportunity Advisor, Drug and Alcohol Counselor	48	3 rd Sea Tour Billet: Maint LCPO/Dept LCPO/QA. Duty: Squadron/Wing Staff. Qualification: SEA.
12-16	ADCS ADC AD1	18.2 Yrs 15.2 10.2		42	2 nd Shore Tour Billet: Instructor/Staff/ Div/Prod/Maint CPO/ Command Chief. Duty: Fleet Replacement Squadron/AIMD/NAR. Qualification: SEA, LCPO, MTS
8-12	ADC AD1 AD2	15.2 Yrs 10.2 5.5		48	2 nd Sea Tour Billet: Maint Tech/WC Sup/QA/ LPO. Duty: Squadron. Qualification: EAWS, LPO
4-8	AD1 AD2 AD3	10.2 Yrs 5.5 2.7	MECP, STA-21, Naval Academy, NROTC, LDO	42	1 st Shore Tour Billet: Maint Tech/WC Sup/Instructor/QA. Duty: NAS/AIMD/NAR. Qualification: EAWS, MTS



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1-4	AD2 AD3	5.5 Yrs 2.7	MECP, STA-21, Naval Academy, NROTC	48	1 st Sea Tour Billet: Maint Tech/Plane Captain/ CDI/Maint Turn Qual. Duty: Squadron/AIMD. Qualification: EAWS.
1+/-	ADAN ADAA Accession Training	9 Months			Recruit Training (8 weeks)/'A' School (9 weeks)/'C' School for aircraft platform billet.